# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

In re	) Chanton 11
VIDEOMINING CORPORATION,	) Chapter 11
Debtor	) Bankruptcy Case No. 20-20425 GLT
VIDEOMINING CORPORATION,	) Document No
Movant,	) Related to Document No. 250, 274
v.	) Hearing date and time: ) April 29, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.
ENTERPRISE BANK, WHITE OAK BUSINESS CAPITAL, INC., and THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE,	) Responses due: ) April 29, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. )
Respondents.	) ) )

OBJECTION OF WHITE OAK BUSINESS CAPITAL, INC. TO EMERGENCY MOTION TO (1) AUTHORIZE CONTINUED USE OF CASH COLLATERAL; (2) EXTEND MATURITY DATE OF THE DIP LOAN; AND (3) APPROVE BRIDGE LOAN

AND NOW, comes White Oak Business Capital, Inc. (formerly known as Federal National Payables, Inc., and formerly doing business as Federal National Commercial Credit) ("White Oak"), by and through its undersigned counsel and files the within *Objection Of White Oak Business Capital, Inc. To Emergency Motion To (1) Authorize Continued Use Of Cash Collateral; (2) Extend Maturity Date Of The Dip Loan; And (3) Approve Bridge Loan* ("Objection") and in support thereof submits the following:

1. VideoMining Corporation ("Debtor") filed its voluntary Chapter 11 Petition on February 4, 2020 ("Petition Date"). The Debtor is continuing to operate its business and manage its affairs as a Debtor-in-Possession.

- 2. On April 27, 2021, the Debtor filed an *Emergency Motion To (1) Authorize Continued Use Of Cash Collateral; (2) Extend Maturity Date Of The Dip Loan; And (3) Approve Bridge Loan*, listed as Document No. 274 on the Court's docket ("Motion").
- 3. White Oak objects to the Motion for the reasons set forth below.

### RELEVANT BACKGROUND

- 4. Since the Petition Date, the Debtor and its primary secured creditors have agreed to a series of five stipulations, which generally authorized continued use of cash collateral and twice increased the maximum amount of financing available under the DIP Loan. (ECF Nos. 181, 189, 208, 235, 250.)
- 5. Throughout this period, the Debtor has failed to perform as set forth in the various budgets it has submitted. And, the Debtor has failed to consummate a sale of its assets.
- 6. Some of the defaults committed after the Petition Date by the Debtor include, without limitation, failure of the Debtor to comply with the financial covenants in the Financing Orders, the Debtor submitted as billed invoices which were not authorized for issuance by the account debtor in order to give the impression it was in compliance with the budget deviation tests in the Financing Orders and a failure to comply with any of the Sale Milestones in the Financing Orders.

### OBJECTION TO PROPOSED USE OF CASH COLLATERAL

7. The Debtor has represented to the Court in its Motion that the Debtor has 2 offers. This is an inaccurate characterization of the current situation. The Debtor has received an offer for a license from Amazon and a non-binding letter of interest from a group that has many contingencies in it, does not provide any proof that the potential buyer has the financial capabilities to fund their offer and proof they can execute on the proposed letter of interest. As

the offers currently stand, they are insufficient to pay the holder of the first lien on the assets of the Debtor much less any of the other secured creditors who hold valid perfected security interests in the assets that are the subject of the "sales". There is a passing mention that Mr. Bossi, who is the financial consultant to the Debtor and was appointed by the Debtor to spearhead the sale process will be a partial owner of the buyer. This is the ultimate conflict of interest by an agent acting on behalf of a Debtor, and we wish to remind the Court the Debtor committed fraud prior to the Petition Date, and now the financial consultant, who was advising the Debtor at the time of the fraud (Mr. Sharma has admitted on the record he was solely responsible for such fraud), is acting as the seller's agent and will have an interest in the buyer. This situation alone requires much closer inspection by the Court and interested parties in order to determine if this is an arm's length transaction and should not be relied upon for any value in evaluating the Debtor's requests in this Motion.

- 8. The Debtor says it is willing to share the auction proposal but as of the date of this filing it has not done so. One has to wonder why, in the interests of full disclosure, it wasn't sent upon receipt by the Debtor. We cannot comment on an agreement has not been provided to White Oak.
- 9. This is not a motion for approval a sale under Section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, so we are not sure of the relevance of the recitation of the license and the letter of interest other than to inform the Court of 2 potential transactions. But as to the license agreement and the letter of interest we have the following concerns White Oak has:
  - a. Amazon has an approval right over assignments by the Debtor. Should not
    those be pre-approved for the sale(s) that might take place at the same time, so
    Amazon have any leverage at the time of the closing.

- b. ASMG will not close for 45 days after the court approval, who is going to fund the Debtor for the additional time needed for the time to finalize these proposed sales, provide notice and motion to the interested parties, provide the Court with proof that the marketing was properly carried out or remarket the assets once the motion is made and then for the 45-day period to closing.
  White Oak must question whether these sales are achievable for the Debtor as well as the buyer/licensee.
- c. The Debtor is required to terminate all employees prior to the closing. Will the Debtor have any employee termination costs for vacation pay, etc. that will be additional administrative claims at the time of the closing.
- d. There is an adjustment for Unearned Revenue, that is not clearly defined and what is the potential impact on the net proceeds to the secured creditors.
- e. There is a requirement that the Debtor has to pay all operating expenses on a pro-rata basis. Unless these are priority administrative claims they should not be permitted to prim the secured creditors.
- 10. With regard to the "Bridge Loan", we have a number of issues and questions on this proposal:
  - a. In addition to our concerns that Mr. Bossi is an owner of the potential buyer, we have even more questions and concerns that Mr. Bossi, the owner of the proposed Bridge Loan lender, is willing to make such a risky loan with no interest and minimal collateral. Mr. Bossi is the Debtor's pre-petition and post-petition financial consultant, who was appointed under Section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code. We have to question how a Section 327 professional make

- a loan to a Debtor and remain disinterested. Mr. Bossi seems to be wearing almost every hat a person can wear in a bankruptcy and keeps asking for more from the Court.
- b. White Oak does not have enough detail on the Budget that was submitted, but has to ask, how much of the \$72,000 Bridge Loan will be paid back to the Bridge Loan lender for fees it is owed as the Section 327 professional.
- c. While it is titled as a DIP Loan, the Debtor is not seeking approval under Section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, so the Debtor should not be permitted to incur this indebtedness and further encumber its assets without the requisite formalities being followed. The Debtor has no equity in any assets to provide the proposed Bridge Loan lender with adequate protections, yet the Debtor is requesting permission to grant a lien on its accounts receivable, which already has 4 secured lenders holding millions of dollars of liens on those accounts, so the Debtor is asking the Court to grant a priming administrative claim on assets with no equity cushion. The Debtor is trying to ignore the requirements under Sections 363 and 364 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- d. The Debtor is requesting permission to grant the Bridge Lender an administrative claim under Section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. We read Section 503(b) as granting administrative claims for payments of goods and services rendered to the Debtor, not for loans to pay such expenses. If the request under Section 503(b) is not granted, then the request under Section 507 should also fail.

- e. The Debtor is asking the Court to approve a loan secured by an asset of Mr. Sharma that is pledged to Enterprise Bank. White Oak fails to understand how Mr. Sharma, who is in a Chapter 7 proceeding can agree to this additional lien on his assets when he is not a party to this Motion. In addition, subject to White Oak's non-dischargeability claims looming over Mr. Sharma, those funds may be subject to White Oak's claims and should not be used a second time to fund more operating losses of the Debtor.
- f. Mr. and Mrs. Sharma, who supposedly have no assets are being asked to guaranty the Bridge Loan. What does the Bridge Loan lender know that the Trustee in their personal bankruptcies and all the other creditors don't know, that the Bridge Loan lender wants a guaranty. In the interest of full transparency, the Bridge Loan lender and the Sharmas should give a full accounting of their reasons and what assets of value the Sharmas have that the Bridge Loan lender is requiring the guaranties.
- 11. Once again we have a very aggressive Budget presented as proof the Debtor will be able to fund its operations for the period. The Debtor has routinely failed to meet the Budget and as a result the Debtor has had to continue to increase its post-petition borrowings to fund its operating losses. We have to question for whose benefit is this Debtor being kept alive. We have to assume that in order to get to a sale, the Debtor will need even more borrowings and who will be provided the next loan and what collateral will they be asking for.
- 12. For the reasons set forth above, White Oak has no faith in the Debtor's ability to perform.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth above, White Oak respectfully requests that this Court enter an Order denying the Debtor's request for the Bridge Loan and the granting of an administrative claim to the Bridge Loan lender and providing such other and further relief as the Court deems to be just and proper.

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